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## OATH STORM CENTER IN DAIL'S SESSION

### Griffith Bests De Valera In Heated Tilt, Fealty Pledge Assailed.

Dublin, Dec. 20.—The stormiest session that the Dail has yet held came to an end at 7 o'clock tonight with indications that the decision to reject or accept the peace treaty may not be reached before the adjournment over Christmas. Every one of the 123 members has announced the intention to make a speech.

Late this afternoon after a seventy-minute session, Sean Milroy, representing two constituencies—one north and one south—took the floor. For an hour he assailed De Valera and his supporters unmercifully, ending his speech amidst roars of mingled cheers and shouts of anger. He read the substitute oath of allegiance which is De Valera's famous mysterious "Document Number Two," which until now has been kept secret at the president's request.

"Now the cat is out of the bag," Milroy shouted above the din.

De Valera was on his feet instantly, pale with rage, and insisting that the deputy's action in disclosing the contents of document number two was unfair.

Griffith sprang up and shook his fist at De Valera, and shouted loudly:

"Milroy stated the exact truth when he declared that the issue confronting us is not the 'republic' versus the 'treaty,' but the 'treaty' versus document number two."

"Difference Only 'Shadow.'"

Milroy began by saying that he was going to take off his gloves.

"We have been throttled by the president's request that we keep document number two secret," he said. "But I intend to let the Irish people know in the President's own words that the difference between his counter proposals and this treaty are 'only a shadow.'"

"Are we going to send the men and women of Ireland to the shambles for a shadow?"

"That is the responsibility of every member of this Dail. Rejecting the treaty for personal aggrandizement of any man, when the acceptance of it means the smashing down of the barriers of seven centuries that have kept the Irish people from freedom—is this statesmanship or criminality?"

"Women here have said that it is the women who will suffer most if the rejection is followed by war, yet they are prepared to reject the treaty."

"We all know that it is the women who suffer most in war, but are we going to send this nation downward for De Valera's shadow?"

It was at this point that Milroy read the oaths contained in the treaty, following it with a dramatic pause and he questioned the deputies:

"If this oath is unacceptable to you can the one that I am about to read be stomachable any easier?"

Then he read an almost identical oath to the accompaniment of angry shouts of "No, no, no."

"The cat was indeed out of the bag, for the people had generally been convinced that the president was holding out for the republic."

De Valera did not even make a denial of Milroy's charge that he had declared in the secret sessions that there was only a shadow of difference in the two oaths.

The most sensational movement Dr. McCarton announced that he came just before adjournment when Irish republic was dead.

"It was betrayed," he said, "not in London, but in Dublin; not by the net of the Irish republic, who, if they British government but by the cabinet had the decency would have resigned before this."

"Republic Is Dead," Pacan.

Repeating over and over again, "the republic is dead," despite enraged negatives from all parts of the chamber, Dr. McCarton added that he would not vote for the treaty and would not vote against it, because one way meant a dishonorable violation of his oath to the republic and the other would mean chaos.

"I realize," said Mr. McCarton, "that many people in Ireland are going to say what is good enough for Mick Collins is good enough for

them, and, because attempts have been made here to put all the blame on the plenipotentiaries, when the blame is actually with the whole cabinet, and because, also, I know Mick and where he stands, I am inclined to agree."

"In any event I have more respect for Collins and Griffith than for these quibblers and tricksters here."

Sitting down close to De Valera, McCarton pointed a shaking finger at the president, and said:

"Rejection means war—there is no alternative. England's capacity for making blunders may save us yet, but if happily it all transpires, it will not be due to any statesmanship shown here."

Mayor's Wife Speaks.

At the morning session the strongest speech was made by Mrs. O'Callaghan, widow of the murdered mayor of Limerick, who like all the "black women" bitterly opposed any association with the British empire. She made a strong impression by her quiet manner and convincing sincerity, making every point in a logical and dispassionate manner.

She insisted that she represented the wishes of her constituents and that they knew her unalterable views when they elected her.

"The treaty will put Ireland definitely into the empire," she said.

"That being so, what has the struggle of all these hundreds of years been for? Even if I found the terms of the treaty satisfactory and consistent with national honor, the joy of the British press would make me suspicious."

"It is a mean thing to try to patch up the rottenness of the empire by a pretended gift of freedom to Ireland. It is more than mean—it is a crime for it leaves England's hands free for places like Egypt and India, in the name, I suppose, of our common citizenship."

Griffith Wins Apology.

What looked for a time like a serious clash between De Valera and Griffith came just before the lunch adjournment when the latter opposed a motion to go into secret session.

"It seems quite apparent," said De Valera, "that the delegation brought back something more from Downing street than the treaty."

When the public session reopened De Valera withdrew the remark and apologized to Griffith, who accepted the apology while the Dail applauded. In this incident, as thruout the whole day, Griffith emerged the victor.

## VIRGINIA LEACH

Miss Virginia Leach, aged 15 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Leach of Hartford, notice of whose serious illness of appendicitis, at the Owensboro City Hospital, appeared in these columns last week, died at that place Thursday last week at nine o'clock p. m. The remains were brought to Hartford on the late train Friday. Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. Russell Walker, Saturday afternoon, at 2:30, after which interment took place in Oakwood Cemetery. The pallbearers were students of the High School.

The young girl was a student in the Hartford Graded and High School regular in attendance of Church and Sunday School services and beloved by all of her associates. Mrs. S. O. Keown, her teacher, and the pupils of her room attended the funeral in a body. School mates and others brought many beautiful floral offerings.

Besides her parents the deceased is survived by three sisters and four brothers: Mrs. Leet Ashley, of Owensboro, Mrs. Blanton Ellis and Little Martha Louise Leach, Hartford; Arthur Leach, Herrin, Ill.; Leonard, C. A. and Henry Floyd Leach.

## MOSE MATTINGLY DEAD

News has been received here of the death of James Moses Mattingly, which took place in Albuquerque, New Mexico on the 5th of the present month. His remains were conveyed to Campbell Hill, Ill., the place of his residence, where burial took place on the 14th. Burial rites were conducted by the M. W. A. Camp of that place.

Mr. Mattingly formerly resided in Hartford where he has many friends who will regret to hear of his death. Mrs. Mattingly the surviving widow is a daughter of Mr. C. E. Schapmire of Hartford and besides the widow three children survive Mr. Mattingly.

## LONE BANDIT IN DARING HOLD-UP

Passengers Aboard B. & O. Observation Car Robbed In Heart of Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Police today investigated a report that a well-dressed bandit with exquisite manners, who single-handed held up observation car passengers on the Baltimore & Ohio night flyer for Washington in the heart of Chicago's South Side last night, had escaped in an automobile driven by a woman companion. Children skating on a pond at Sixty-seventh Street say the robber made his getaway in a car which had been parked beneath the railroad viaduct.

The bandit boarded the observation car at the Sixty-third Street station and forced the passengers to stand in line. M. D. Taylor, a Baltimore & Ohio passenger agent, was first in line. He gave up his pocketbook. Three other men contributed then the robber reached Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Stansbury, of Tucuman, New Mexico, and their three small children.

"Madam," he said, "will you please take the children to the other end of the car. I am not interested in your valuables a woman may have, and I do not want to frighten children. If you please."

As Mrs. Stansbury and the children obeyed his request he relieved Mr. Stansbury of his pocketbook.

"Not much, but you look as if you could well afford to lose it, else I wouldn't take it," the robber told F. W. Williamson another Baltimore & Ohio ticket agent.

As he continued down the line of passengers the conductor appeared at the front end of the car ready to collect tickets. The bandit regarded him coolly.

"It's quite possible," he told his victims "that the conductor is armed. If he isn't he can call men who are. That would mean shooting and some of you might get hurt. I don't want that to happen so I will leave you."

Covering the passengers with his gun he jerked the emergency bell rope backed thru the observation platform door and as the train slowed down, leaped over the rail and disappeared down the embankment.

## CARTER-COOK

Miss Anna Carter and Judge Mack Cook eluded their friends last week and went to Dawson Springs, where they were joined in marriage, the Rev. E. G. Sisk, a Baptist minister, of that place, performing the ceremony.

Miss Carter has been one of the foremost teachers in the public schools of Ohio County for several years and is held in high esteem by a wide circle of friends. Judge Cook is the present Judge of the Ohio County Court, soon retiring from a term of four years' faithful service. He is widely known and holds the respect and confidence of those who know him best.

We join the many friends of Judge and Mrs. Cook in congratulations, and our best wishes go with them always.

## MRS. TAPPAN ENTERTAINS

Mrs. J. B. Tappan entertained the Ladies Social Club at her home, Thursday afternoon of last week. A number of games of progressive rook were enjoyed after which a most delicious two-course luncheon was served. Members of the club present were: Mesdames J. S. Glenn, R. T. Collins, E. E. Birkhead, Belle Cooper, W. C. Blankenship, A. D. Kirk, E. G. Barass, C. O. Hunter, Hooker Williams, W. S. Tinsley, Rowan Holbrook, Darrell Sullenger and Misses Lettie and Margaret Marks. Guests present were: Mesdames L. T. Riley, Oscar Bishop, John P. Taylor, Otto C. Martin, Harold Holbrook and Miss Winnie Simmerman.

## MOZART CLUB

The Mozart Club of the Beaver Dam High School held its second meeting with Miss Nora F. Jackson, December the fourteenth. A delightful program which included reading and piano solos was enjoyed by all. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing games.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting. Everyone present reported a nice time.

## VIEWS CONFLICT ON PACIFIC PACT

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Harding, it was said today at the White House, does not regard the four-power Pacific treaty as covering the principal islands of the Japanese Empire.

This view, which is contrary to that voiced repeatedly by official spokesmen of the American delegation, was described at the White House as the President's personal opinion, not based on consultation with other members of his Administration.

Mr. Harding was said to believe that the treaty no more applies to the islands constituting Japan proper than it does to the mainland of the United States. In view it was said, the agreement only covers island possessions in the Pacific, while the main Japanese group occupies the position of a party to the treaty rather than a possession.

## HEAR HAYS WILL ACCEPT MOVIE MAGNATES OFFER

Washington, Dec. 20.—Close friends of Will H. Hays, Postmaster General, were unable to verify reports that he had decided to accept an offer that would virtually make him head of the motion picture industry in the United States. They said they knew the heads of several large motion picture concerns had made him a definite offer of a large salary, supposed to be \$100,000 a year, with a contract to run two and one-half years. They said they understood the picture magnates had deposited half the total salary in a bank as evidence of good faith in making the offer.

Mr. Hays is absent from Washington. His office here refuse to divulge his whereabouts, saying that he is at the home of friends for a few days before going to his home at Sullivan, Ind.

## HEALTH EXHIBIT

All educational space in the National Health Exposition to be held in Louisville, February 1 to 9, has been contracted for and by this co-operation of the health and welfare organizations from all parts of the world, is assured nearly 400 of the most interesting shows ever grouped under the roof of the Jefferson County Armory. This announcement was made today by the organizations in charge of the exposition, composed of the United States Public Health Service, the State Board of Health, the city and county health departments, the Women's City Club and the University of Louisville.

## TEACHERS AT VAN LEAR TO SPEND XMAS AT HOME

Misses Lenora Lindley of near Livermore, Loubel Williams, Heflin, Mattie Duke, Hartford and Kittle Bess Dodson of Sunnydale, members of the faculty of the Van Lear High School are expected to return to their homes today to spend the holidays.

These young ladies are making good in their chosen profession and the folks at home will gladly welcome them back for this short visit. Misses Duke, Williams and Dodson are graduates of the local High School.

## STAGE HOLD-UP IN STREET CAR

St. Louis, Dec. 20.—Three bandits held up Edward Edwards, 55 years old, negro messenger for the Chouteau Trust Company, while the negro was on a Market Street car today, and escaped with a satchel containing \$8-180 of the company's funds.

## HARTFORD LOSES TO MADISONVILLE

The Hartford High school five went to Madisonville Wednesday, where they lost to the city basket ball team of that place. The score being reported as 29 to 10 in favor of the Hopkins County boys. Crowe, Bartlett, Shults, Likens and Bennett, accompanied by Rhoads and Curtis Maples made the trip.

## PRESIDENT CANCELING ALL TENTATIVE ENGAGEMENTS

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Harding is disposed to remain closely in Washington for the next three months and is cancelling all tentative engagements which he has had for

speeches or trips to various parts of the country. It was indicated at the White House today that this policy would be followed at least until March because of the pressure of business in connection with the armament conference and the regular session of Congress.

## MANY RAILROAD MEN THROWN OUT OF WORK

Bedford, Ind., Dec. 20.—Following the posting of a notice yesterday by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company by Master Mechanic Miller, the locomotive department of their shops here were closed down this morning, throwing many men out of work. The notice states the department will be closed indefinitely. Neither Mr. Miller nor any other officials here know when work will be resumed, it is said.

## RAG PICKER, CHARITY CHARGE, HAD \$45,000

Seattle, Dec. 18.—Petition for probate of the will of Albert Lichtblau, who died December 15, has disclosed that instead of being a penniless old man, he possessed \$15,000 in cash and property valued at \$30,000. A sister, Mrs. Martha Ramp, of Waterbury, Conn., was named as principal beneficiary.

A policeman found Lichtblau in the street December 7, weak from illness. He died Thursday. He had gathered rags and paper for years.

## LOUISVILLE MARKETS

Cattle—Receipts 100 head. Market ruled dull and draggy, with practically no outlet for the small number of cattle that arrived for the day's trading. Butcher stock of all kinds are hardly wanted. Narrow trade in stockers and feeders; common trashy kinds almost unsalable. Weaker trade continues in heavy steers; in fact, market is in a semi-demoralized condition, with all primary points flooded with cattle.

Quotations: Prime heavy steers \$6.50@7; heavy spring steers \$5.75@6.50; medium to good \$5@5.75; fat heifers \$4.50@5; fat cows \$4@4.50; medium to good \$3@4; cutters \$2@3; canners \$1.50@2; bulls \$2@3.75; feeders \$4.50@5.50; stockers \$3@5.25.

Calves—Market weak and demand very limited. Hold back all shipments until after holidays. Prices \$1 lower. Best veals \$7 down; medium \$3@4; common \$2@3.

Hogs—Market active at steady prices. Best hogs, all weights, brought \$7; throwouts \$5.75 down.

Sheep and Lambs—Trade slow and barely steady. Best lambs quotable at \$8@9, according to quality; seconds \$5@6, best fat sheep \$2.50 down.

## Produce

Buying prices, net to shipper, the shipper paying freight and drayage charges, are:

Eggs—Candled 45c dozen. Poultry—Hens, large 19c lb.; small 14c lb.; large spring chickens 14c lb.; small springers 20c lb.; turkeys No. 1 40c per lb.; roosters 3c lb.; ducks 17c lb.; guineas \$3 dozen; young \$6.

Country Butter—Pound 19c

## SEVEN-YEAR TERM FOR EX-DRY AGENT

Milwaukee, Dec. 20.—Bert P. Herzog, former federal prohibition enforcement officer, recently convicted of accepting bribes aggregating \$16,500 in connection with an alleged whisky ring, today was denied a new trial and sentenced to serve seven years at Fort Leavenworth prison and also to pay a fine of \$16,000.

## MARRIAGE LICENSE

John R. McCoy, Hartford, to Loreta Wall, Beaver Dam.

Erwin Geary, Horse Branch, to Gracie Smith, White Run.

Arthur Edge, Hartford, Route 6, to Eva McKiff, Fordsville, Route 1.

Millard Hoover, Hartford, Route 5, to Mae Baughn, Hartford, Route 6.

David Bristow, Rumsey, to Ollie Nettie Poole, Hartford, Route 1.

Hubert White, Fordsville, to Elsie Huff, Narrows.

Ray Cook has been appointed carrier on a rural route out of Olanton, Mr. Cook and family will move to Olanton before the first of the new year and assume his duties on January 3rd.

## CAPITAL SHIP RATIO ACCEPTED BY FRENCH

### Object To Corresponding Cuts On Light Craft Ask More 'Subs'

Washington, Dec. 20.—In the expectation of an early completion of matters of immediate importance before the Washington Conference, members of the Japanese delegation and their various staffs have tentatively booked the entire capacity of the steamer Shinyo Maru, sailing from San Francisco January 24, for their return to Japan.

Washington, Dec. 20.—France today accepted the American proposal that she be accorded a capital ship tonnage of 175,000 under the naval limitation agreement.

The acceptance of the French was given at a meeting of the conference naval subcommittee of fifteen at which the correspondence between Chairman Hughes and Premier Briand on the question of capital ship tonnage of France was presented.

The French Premier in his reply to Mr. Hughes, as made public after the committee meeting, declared however, that as to the "destroyer ships," "cruisers, torpedo boats and submarines," it would be impossible for the French Government to accept "reductions corresponding to those which we accept for capital ships" without contradicting the vote of the French Parliament.

The officials communicate in which the correspondence was made said that a meeting of the full committee on limitation of armament had been called for tomorrow, but did not state the subjects to be taken up.

The French Premier's reply to Mr. Hughes emphasizes that capital ships were essentially "attacking ships" and that the preoccupation of France is not the offensive point of view, but uniquely defensive point of view.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The British delegation has formally asked that a plenary session of the Washington conference be held tomorrow or Thursday in order that Great Britain may present its case for the abolition of the submarine.

The British spokesman who announced the request said no information was forthcoming as to whether the meeting had or would be granted.

The British spokesman, in discussing the submarine tonnage question, declared that, unless an agreement was reached on that phase of the question, all that had been accomplished toward naval limitation might be upset.

It was expected, however, that the session would be held Thursday. Lord Lee it was understood, as head of the British Admiralty, would present the British case in a carefully prepared statement dealing largely with technical features. Arthur J. Balfour, head of the British delegation, probably will follow, discussing general phases of the submarine warfare.

Whether there would be general discussion of the submarine question by other delegates did not develop today, but it was expected that the other delegates would ask for time to consider the British.

In other quarters close to the British delegation it was suggested that two plenary sessions might be sought, the first of which would be devoted to a complete statement of the British case regarding submarines.

The British stand as to submarines. It was indicated today, has been after most careful consideration both before and since the conference opened and may be expected to have the tenacious support of the delegation in the discussion to be given the subject. If total abolition of the submarine arm is generally opposed, it was said, Great Britain will then move for substantial curtailment in the form of decreased submarine ratios as compared with those allowed under the original American plan.

M. Sarraut, head of the French delegation, was understood to have said with much emphasis at the meeting of the Naval Committee today that France accepted "the American figures of 175,000 tons of capital ships, provided we have the agreement of the other members of the conference to a sufficient number of submarines and other light defensive vessels."